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**NEWS RELEASE:**  
***Duncan will head Bonneville Environmental Foundation***

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**PORTLAND, Ore.** – Angus Duncan, a lifelong advocate for Pacific Northwest environmental values, will lead one of the newest efforts to make environmental improvements in the region.

U.S. Senator Mark O. Hatfield (retired), the foundation's president, made the announcement. "Angus long ago earned the respect of both environmentalists and economic interests. As a member and chairperson of the Northwest Power Planning Council, he led that body through the thorny issues leading up to the adoption of a plan for restoring the environmental health of the Columbia Basin," said Sen. Hatfield.

Duncan was named executive director of the Bonneville Environmental Foundation. He had served as president and senior fellow of the Columbia/Pacific Institute for Energy and the Environment. The institute, which is affiliated with Portland State University, initiates and participates in the making of energy and Columbia River management policies.

"I'm thrilled at the prospects the Bonneville Environmental Foundation presents. There are dedicated people all over the Northwest doing creative watershed work. We can help them," said Duncan. "This is also a grand opportunity to build a renewable energy future on the region's existing hydroelectric base. We can accelerate that. And we will leverage these actions with green power revenues; that's an unbeatable package."

The Bonneville Environmental Foundation will enhance fish runs and wildlife habitat in the Northwest while investing in clean energy. The Renewable Northwest Project, the Natural Resources Defense Council and the Northwest Energy Coalition unveiled the Bonneville Environmental Foundation in June. The three environmental groups agreed to endorse select, environmentally preferred resources. The Bonneville Power Administration would market the power to purchasers who agreed to pay an environmental premium. The premium, an amount above BPA's basic cost of power, will help support the foundation.

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